FISCAL NOTE

HR 147

March 9, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Urges and encourages each local education agency (LEA) that is required to implement a program of family life instruction, to poll the parents or legal guardians of the students enrolled in the LEA's program to determine if such parents and guardians would be willing to attend with their children a capstone class at the conclusion of the program of family life instruction. If the positive response is 50% or greater, the affected LEA is urged to develop and offer an elective two-hour capstone class to summarize its most recently concluded program of family life education.

Urges and encourages the State Board of Education to include as part of the prototype plan of family life instruction, procedures and policies for local implementation of an elective two-hour capstone class to summarize the plan's program of family life education, including the promulgation of a mission statement, format, and curriculum for the capstone class.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive/ Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- Since the resolution urges and does not mandate that LEAs offer such a capstone class, nor the State Board of Education to include such procedures for implementation of such a class, the fiscal impact on state and local governments is estimated to be not significant.
- To the extent LEAs choose to offer such capstone classes, local government expenditures could increase approximately \$45.00 for each two-hour class offered, based on an average hourly salary of \$22.18 x 2 hours per class. The cost would be dependent upon the number of LEAs that choose to offer such classes and the number of classes that are offered per semester.
- Any cost associated with polling parents and guardians of students to determine how many would be willing to attend a two-hour capstone class is estimated to be not significant. Assumes a nominal survey printing cost with surveys being sent home with students as opposed to mailing.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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